

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Masako TABEI et al. : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**

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SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING BUSINESS
ACTIVITIES AND SYSTEM FOR
PREPARING DATA FOR SUPPORTING
BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO REDUCE PTO FILING FEE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Kindly amend claims 7 and 8 as follows.

7. (Amended) The system as claimed in claim 5 wherein the data prepared in all of
said steps can be displayed on a mobile computer through the Internet or a memory medium.

8. (Amended) The system as claimed in claim 5 further comprising the step of
preparing data regarding profitability.

Kindly add new claims 9-11 as follows.

9. (New) The system as claimed in claim 6 wherein the data prepared in all of said steps can be displayed on a mobile computer through the Internet or a memory medium.

10. (New) The system as claimed in claim 6 further comprising the step of preparing data regarding profitability.

11. (New) The system as claimed in claim 7 further comprising the step of preparing data regarding profitability.

REMARKS

The above claim amendments are presented in order to remove multiple claim dependencies, so as to reduce the required filing fee.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attachment is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Respectfully submitted,

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telephone directory data base, indicating the locations of the customers on a map from a map data base, calling the customers to prepare the prospective customer data, preparing a map indicating the locations of the prospective customers, preparing a map showing the locations of the prospective customer, preparing a map that shows a commercial territory, consumers and competitors around the locations of the prospective customers, and preparing data that shows consumption tendencies in the commercial territory.

7. The system as claimed in claim 5 ~~or 6~~ wherein the data prepared in all of said steps can be displayed on a mobile computer through the Internet or a memory medium.

8. The system as claimed in ~~any of claims~~ 5-7 further comprising the step of preparing data regarding profitability.

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